

Let us remember this day, and let us pledge to work harder and more constructively to build a stronger America.

# RECOGNIZING SEPTEMBER 11 AS A NATIONAL DAY OF SERVICE AND REMEMBRANCE

SPEECH OF

**HON. NICK J. RAHALL II**

OF WEST VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, September 9, 2009*

Mr. RAHALL. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the first-ever federally-designated National Day of Service and Remembrance for September 11, 2001.

Yesterday, as I stood in Statuary Hall with members of Congress and President Obama in the Ceremony of Remembrance for the more than 2,000 people who lost their lives as a result of this act of terror, I was overwhelmed by a sense of sadness, but also a sense of pride. Although the world was irrevocably changed by these senseless acts of violence, tomorrow as Americans we have decided to honor those who died not with anger and violence, but by serving others through the Edward M. Kennedy Serve America Act—which was supported by the 9/11 families—and designates each September 11 as a National Day of Service and Remembrance.

The Edward M. Kennedy Serve America Act of 2009 is bipartisan, landmark legislation that will triple volunteer opportunities across the country and create a new service corps for education, health care, energy, and veterans. It is through this bill that the United We Serve initiative was born to encourage Americans to give back to their communities through continuous community service.

September 11th is a somber day, but the service work inspired by this legislation has and will continue to celebrate West Virginia and our great Nation, a country that has not and will not sink to a level of hatred and violence. Instead, our nation will face forward and choose to make a positive impact by donating our time to better our communities and our fellow citizens while truly honoring the victims who died eight years ago.

On September 11, 2001 two hijacked passenger planes were flown into each tower of the World Trade Center, while a third plane was flown into the Pentagon. The fourth and final hijacked plane crashed into a field in Pennsylvania after the heroic efforts of passengers to take back control of the plane. These events had a profound impact across southern West Virginia. Not only because of the monumental damage and loss of life caused by the attack, but also because one of our own, Dr. Paul Ambrose a Cabell County native and Marshall University School of Medicine graduate, died in the terrorist attack on the Pentagon.

In West Virginia we truly do know our neighbors and the death of this West Virginian deeply affected our community. However, each year we gather in his honor to celebrate the great things about our state and its people. This year Fit Fest '09 will be held to honor Paul Dr. Ambrose, and will feature fitness activities including kids races, and a 5k walk/run.

Other activities to honor the victims of the 9/11 attacks include a Day of Service, spon-

sored by the Rahall Transportation Institute, in cooperation with the Citizens Conservations Corps and the Greater Huntington Park and Recreation District at St. Clouds Commons, which will help bring attention to the Paul Ambrose Trail for Health, as Dr. Ambrose was passionate about improving the health of his community and the Nation.

Today, I commend the incredible bravery and patriotism of the families and friends of the victims of 9/11, who have been working for years to make September 11th a national day of both remembrance and service. Their unending contributions to honor their loved ones' memories and unfulfilled promises continue to enhance the lives of others. I also want to recognize Dr. Ken and Sharon Ambrose, whose constant vigil has enriched their son's legacy and the livelihoods of countless West Virginians.

This day is truly a tribute to the loved ones that we all have lost and the spirit of freedom that this great Nation holds so close to its heart.

# RECOGNIZING CONTRIBUTIONS OF AMERICAN COUNCIL OF ENGINEERING COMPANIES

SPEECH OF

**HON. MARK E. SOUDER**

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, September 9, 2009*

Mr. SOUDER. Mr. Speaker, I would like to express my support for H. Res. 447 and recognize the American Council of Engineering Companies for its 100 years of service to the engineering industry and the Nation. In Indiana, the American Council of Engineers has been active for 50 years and currently represents over 100 firms throughout the state.

The engineering industry has been responsible for tremendous developments in the transportation, environmental and energy infrastructure that contribute to our economic success. Indiana has long been known as the "Crossroads of America" and our transportation infrastructure is fundamental to our economic health. Engineers design and create critical infrastructure to help ensure the goods we produce in our area are able to move to market.

My Congressional District is the manufacturing center of the country and has the highest percentage manufacturing jobs in the United States. However, in recent years, these positions are increasingly becoming more hi-tech and require higher levels of skills and training.

The American Council of Engineering Companies of Indiana is helping to meet this need through college scholarship programs that awarded \$17,500 in 2009 to Indiana residents who are pursuing a Bachelors or Masters in engineering at an Indiana school. With programs like Project "Lead the Way," the American Council of Engineering Companies partners with Middle Schools and High Schools to promote engineering, and make science and math relevant to young students by demonstrating how these technical skills can be applied in every day life.

Through these educational outreach programs, the American College of Engineering Companies is working to address the need for

a skilled workforce and helping to generate interest in the math and science skills necessary for the next generation to succeed in our competitive global economy.

I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing the American Council of Engineering Companies on its 100th year anniversary.

# IN HONOR AND REMEMBRANCE OF SIDNEY J. CARGLE, SR.

**HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH**

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, September 10, 2009*

Mr. KUCINICH. Madam Speaker, I rise today in honor and remembrance of Sidney J. Cargle, Sr., devoted and loving husband, father, grandfather, great-grandfather, brother, cousin and friend to many. Mr. Cargle's devotion to his family, service to community and church, and kind heart and joyous life has left a permanent mark on the lives of countless individuals throughout our community.

Mr. Cargle taught his children by example, instilling in them the significance of a strong work ethic, service to others and higher education. He retired from the State of Ohio as Assistant State Auditor, and continued his life-long commitment to bettering our community and our nation through his grass roots involvement in many civic endeavors, including his long-time dedication to the local political process. Mr. Cargle served as the President of the Shaker Heights Democratic Club, and held leadership positions, including Elected Member of the Executive Committee of the Cuyahoga County Democratic Party.

Armed with a kind heart, great sense of humor and a certain grace, Mr. Cargle and Mrs. Cargle were the foundation of the family. For more than twenty years, Mr. and Mrs. Cargle volunteered many hours as members and leaders of the Lane Metropolitan CME Church, where Mr. Cargle also served as President of Lay Leaders.

Madam Speaker and colleagues, please join me in honor and remembrance of Sidney J. Cargle, Sr., whose joy for life, kind heart and quick smile will forever reflect within the hearts and memories of those who loved and knew him best—especially his family and close friends. I extend my heartfelt condolences to Mr. Cargle's beloved wife of 51 years, Virginia; to his children, Linda Ann, Richard, Stacy, Sharon, Sidney and Spencer; to his grandchildren, great-grandchildren; and to his siblings, nieces and nephews and many friends. Mr. Cargle's loving devotion to his family and community, his beautiful spirit and joyous life will continue to touch the hearts of many—especially his wife and children—and he will never be forgotten.

# HEAVY DUTY HYBRID VEHICLE RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT, AND DEMONSTRATION ACT OF 2009

SPEECH OF

**HON. F. JAMES SENSENBRENNER, JR.**

OF WISCONSIN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, September 9, 2009*

Mr. SENSENBRENNER. Mr. Speaker, I rise to urge support for my Hybrid Truck bill. New